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Stated Meeting, May 16, 1884.

Present, 10 members.

President, Mr. FRALEY, in the Chair.

A photograph of Prof. H. S. Frieze, of Ann Arbor, Michigan, was received for the album.

An acceptance of membership was received from Mr. Samuel Dickson, dated 901 Clinton street, Philadelphia, April 20.

Letters of envoy were received from the Batavian Society of Sciences, through the Minister of the Netherlands and the United States Department of State; Fondation Tyler; Central Observatory of St. Petersburg; Musée Guimet, and the United States Census Bureau.

Donations to the Library were received from the Batavian Society of Arts and Sciences; the Royal Academy of Belgium; the Accademia dei Lincei; the Royal Academy of Arts and Sciences in Modena; the Geographical Society at Paris; the Geographical Society at Bordeaux; the Meteorological Council of the Royal Society; Dr. Benjamin Ward Richardson, and London Nature; the Toronto Observatory; the newly organized Bostonian Society in the old State House; the Museum of Comparative Zoölogy; Dr. Samuel Abbott Green; the American Chemical Society; the Meteorological Observatory in New York; the American Journal of Pharmacy; the Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography; Mr. Richard Vaux, Mr. Henry Phillips, Jr., Dr. Persifor Frazer; the American Chemical Journal; the American Journal of Mathematics; the United States Naval Institute; the United States Fish Commission; and the American Meteorological Journal.

The death of Dr. Samuel D. Gross, at Philadelphia, May 6,

aged 78 (born July 8, 1805), was announced; and Dr. DaCosta was appointed to prepare an obituary notice of the deceased.

Prof. Cope described the rich collections of vertebrate fossil remains in the Muséo Nacional under the care of Dr. Barcena, and in the Museum of the School of Mines in the care of Prof. Ant. Costino, which he had examined during a recent visit to Mexico—Glyptodon, Mastodon, Elephas, Equus, Llama, Bear, Dog and Deer, and the several genera and species into which they seemed divisible, some of them being undescribed. Important geological points he reserved for another communication.

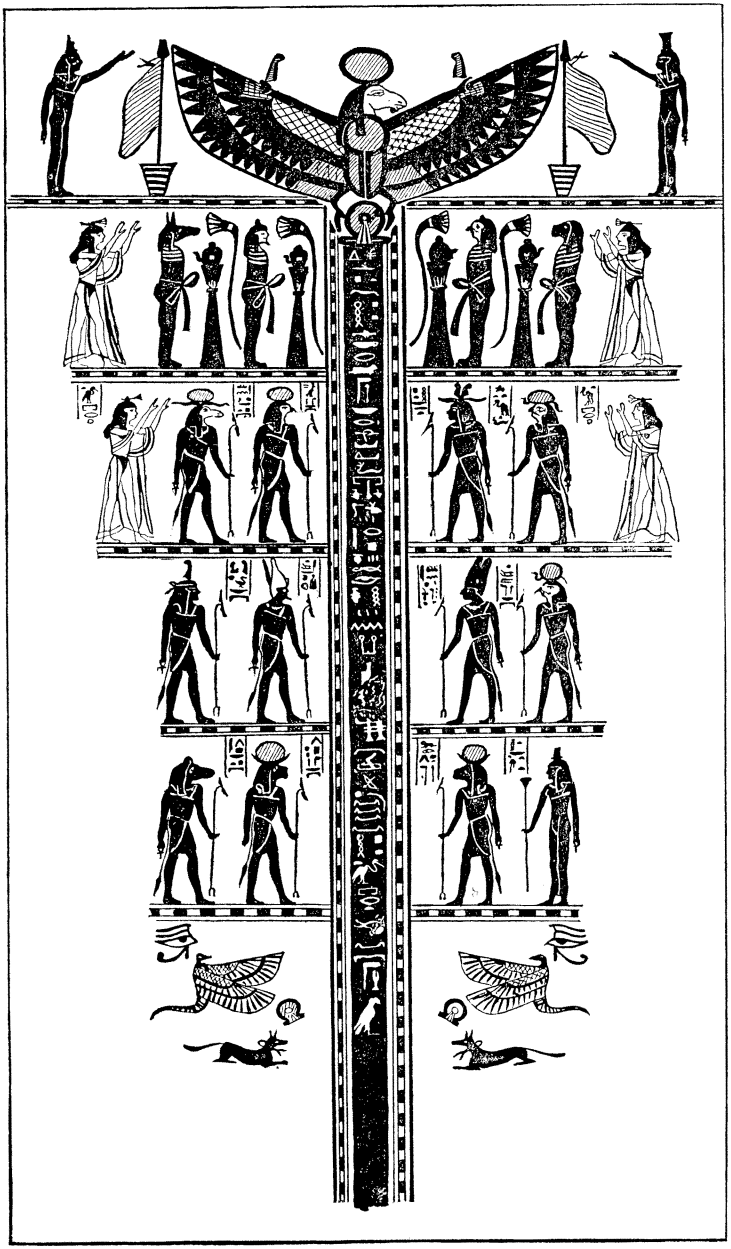
A question from Mr. Hale elicited the opinion, that while no certain proof that man was coëval with either mammoth or elephant had yet been obtained, yet that facts calculated to give the supposition much probability multiplied. The discovery of human facial bones in an uplifted silico-calcareous bed, on the shore of Lake Tescuco, remained incomplete until the beds had been searched for other fossils.

New nominations Nos. 1023 to 1028 were read.

A special Committee on the renovation of the oil paintings in the Hall, consisting of the Curators, with Mr. Phillips and Mr. Rothermel, was appointed and requested to report at the next meeting in June.

A resolution respecting the entertainment of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, by Mr. Fraley, was called up and passed.

And the meeting was adjourned.



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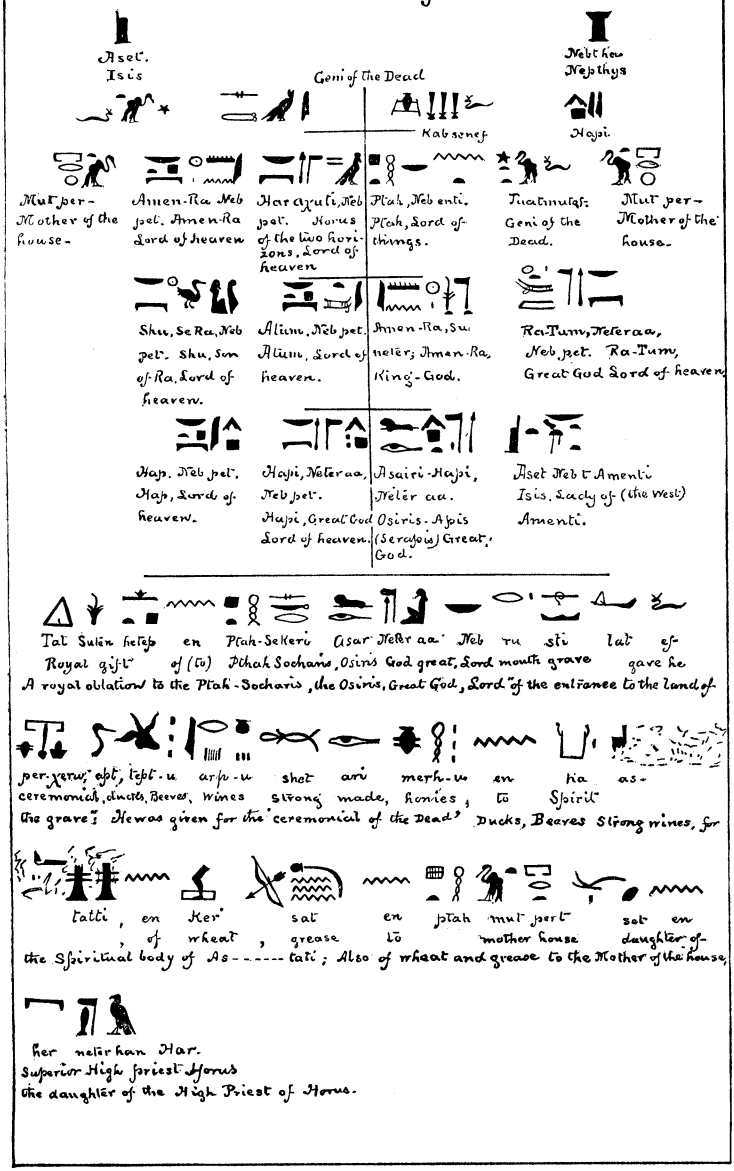
Inscription on a Mummy-case, of the XIX Dynasty, in Memorial Hall in Philadelphia.



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